THE

CONFIRMATION

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAM

We prepare together to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit through the imposition of hand and anointing with oil by the bishop in **Confirmation**; a sacrament of initiation which brings you deeper into communion with the Church.

WHO IS THIS PROGRAM FOR?

- Children who are **Baptized** and in Grade 7 and up.
- Grade 7 students of Immaculate Conception and Monsignor O'Donoghue schools.
- Children of any family who attends Immaculate Conception Parish.
- If your child does not attend these schools, either:
 - o Register at Immaculate by contacting the parish office.
 - o Provide a Letter of Reference from your home priest.

WHEN?

- Starting October 8th, 2025 (includes parent meeting with Fr. Jozef Vano, starts at 4:30 p.m).
- Wednesdays typically from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.
- See online *Letter to Parents with Schedule*, for specific dates of sacramental preparation sessions, retreats and celebrations.

WHERE?

• Sessions will take place at Immaculate Conception parish hall.

WHO IS GUIDING THE PROGRAM?

- Lisa Hiltz (Monsignor O'Donoghue Librarian & Catechesis/Sacrament leader since 2002)
 Kathy Hiltz (Immaculate's Children's Liturgy facilitator & Catechesis/Sacrament leader since 2002)
- Contact info:
 - o Email: lhiltz@pvnccdsb.on.ca
 - o Phone: 249-357-8812 (or leave message at the parish office)

HOW TO REGISTER?

- Complete Immaculate Conception Confirmation Registration Form
 - o Available at the parish office
 - Online at: immaculatepeterborough.ca/sacraments
- Provide Baptismal Certificate
- Pay fee of \$50 (includes *Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation* Student Guide) (Cash; cheque to: Immaculate Conception; or eTransfer to: office@immaculatepeterborough.ca)
- Submit all above to Immaculate Conception parish office.

WHAT IS EXPECTED?

- Imperative for parents to attend the meeting with Fr. Jozef Vano on the first day of the program.
- Parents are required to read the Student Guide and accompany the child through each chapter.
- Children will read and reflect on the content of each chapter as a foundation for the catechetical resources that will be used to enhance each chapter.